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There is no language in the Rules preventing MSPs and MRSPs from contracting directly with customers. How should this be addressed?

Current Processes: The AZ State DASR Handbook was developed by a previous ACC working group. The Handbook was developed for the Load Serving (LS) ESP to send and receive DASRs with the UDCs.

Short Term Proposal: Until such time that the AZ market is mature, the Working Group proposes that the LS ESP continue to send all DASR transactions regardless if the customer has contracted directly with the MSP and/or MRSP. The Working Group will review the AZ State DASR Handbook and identify changes needed to properly notify the UDCs of the customer's elections.

This would possibly require both the UDC and the LS ESP to have their own processes and agreements in place with the customer's contracted MSP and/or MRSP. This requirement is NOT intended to impose any more requirements or restrictions on the MSP and/or MRSP than already exist with the current model for conducting competitive metering business in Arizona.

Long Term Solution: Develop a DASR process that allows for all Competitive Providers to send/receive DASRs with the UDC on behalf of the customer.

Next Steps: If the short term proposal is approved by the Policy/PSWG group, the Issue 78 Working Group will begin reviewing the AZ State DASR Handbook. The hope is that there will be minimal changes to the Handbook that would meet the needs of all participants.